

Dr. Richardson has received more than 100 honors and awards, locally, statewide, regionally, and nationally from Greek letter organizations, churches, conventions, schools, colleges, civic organizations, states and cities. Benedict College and Teachers College, Columbia University, have named him outstanding alumnus. Morris College, Benedict College, and Coker College have conferred on him honorary doctorate degrees, as well as Simmons Bible College in Louisville, Kentucky. As a leader in the community and throughout South Carolina, he has served on many Boards and Commissions to include the South Carolina Chamber of Commerce Board.

Mr. Speaker, the full list of Dr. Richardson's accomplishments could fill volumes in the Congressional Record. It suffices to say, Dr. Luns C. Richardson is a giant of a man whose impact on the countless lives he touched, the City of Sumter, the state of South Carolina and indeed the entire nation will be felt throughout the ages.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. BETTY MCCOLLUM

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 29, 2017

Ms. MCCOLLUM. Mr. Speaker, I missed a vote on March 24, 2017 to approve the Journal. I would have voted to approve the previous day's Journal.

H.R. 390, IRAQ AND SYRIA GENOCIDE EMERGENCY RELIEF AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT OF 2017

HON. TED POE

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 29, 2017

Mr. POE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, the evil group, ISIS, intentionally targeted Christians worldwide because of their religious belief. But ISIS did not only target Christians. They targeted any religious group, including some Muslims who disagree with them.

These sick folks are proud of the fact that they commit genocide. ISIS fighters posted videos and pictures online of their barbaric beheadings of Christians and others who refused to bow to their ideology.

Thanks to these horrendous crimes against humanity, for the first time since Jesus there are almost no Christians left in this part of the world. There were 1.5 million Christians in Iraq in 2003. Since that time, terrorists have either killed or forced Christians to run for their lives.

The massacres committed by this terrorist group in the name of a perverted jihad religion are the worst crimes we have seen in our lifetime. H.R. 390 will help those groups that have suffered unimaginable atrocities at the hands of ISIS get the assistance they need. I am proud to be a cosponsor of this bill. This legislation demands ISIS be held accountable for what it does. By identifying these perpetrators of genocide we will be able to hold criminal trials and bring them to justice. After all, isn't justice what we do in the United States?

And that is just the way it is.

SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate of February 4, 1977, calls for establishment of a system for a computerized schedule of all meetings and hearings of Senate committees, subcommittees, joint committees, and committees of conference. This title requires all such committees to notify the Office of the Senate Daily Digest—designated by the Rules Committee—of the time, place and purpose of the meetings, when scheduled and any cancellations or changes in the meetings as they occur.

As an additional procedure along with the computerization of this information, the Office of the Senate Daily Digest will prepare this information for printing in the Extensions of Remarks section of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on Monday and Wednesday of each week.

Meetings scheduled for Thursday, March 30, 2017 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED

APRIL 3

10 a.m.

Committee on the Judiciary

Business meeting to consider the nominations of Neil M. Gorsuch, of Colorado, to be an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, and Rod J. Rosenstein, of Maryland, to be Deputy Attorney General, and Rachel L. Brand, of Iowa, to be Associate Attorney General, both of the Department of Justice.

SH-216

APRIL 4

9:30 a.m.

Committee on Armed Services

To hold hearings to examine United States Strategic Command programs.

SD-G50

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

To hold hearings to examine fencing along the southwest border.

SD-342

10 a.m.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

To hold hearings to examine efforts to protect U.S. energy delivery systems from cybersecurity threats.

SD-366

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

To hold hearings to examine FDA user fee agreements, focusing on improving medical product regulations and innovation for patients.

SD-430

2:30 p.m.

Committee on Appropriations

Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies

To hold hearings to examine national water hazards and vulnerabilities, fo-

cusing on improved forecasting for responses and mitigation.

SD-192

Committee on Armed Services
Subcommittee on Cybersecurity

To receive a closed briefing on cyber threats to the United States.

SVC-217

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

Subcommittee on Surface Transportation and Merchant Marine Infrastructure, Safety and Security

To hold hearings to examine keeping goods moving, focusing on continuing to enhance multimodal freight policy and infrastructure.

SR-253

APRIL 5

9:30 a.m.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

To hold hearings to examine improving border security and public safety.

SD-342

10 a.m.

Committee on Appropriations

Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies

To hold hearings to examine protecting our midshipmen, focusing on preventing sexual assault and sexual harassment at the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy.

SD-192

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

Business meeting to consider pending calendar business.

SH-216

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

To hold hearings to examine the nomination of Scott Gottlieb, of Connecticut, to be Commissioner of Food and Drugs, Department of Health and Human Services.

SD-430

Joint Economic Committee

To hold hearings to examine the decline of economic opportunity in the United States, focusing on causes and consequences.

LHOB-1100

10:30 a.m.

Committee on Appropriations

Subcommittee on Department of Defense

To hold closed hearings to examine intelligence programs and threat assessment.

SVC-217

2 p.m.

Committee on Foreign Relations

Subcommittee on Africa and Global Health Policy

To hold hearings to examine a progress report on conflict minerals.

SD-419

APRIL 6

9:30 a.m.

Committee on Armed Services

To hold hearings to examine United States Southern Command and United States Northern Command.

SD-G50